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PROCESSES FOR IN VIVO PRODUCTION OF ASTAXANTHIN AND PHAFFIA

RHODOZYMA YEAST OF ENHANCED ASTAXANTHIN CONTENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of 1 December 1997 to 1 April 1998.

A check for the statutory fee of \$55.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 necessary to keep the instant application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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